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Mr. Gary R. Gamble
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Dear Mr. Gamble:

Re: Amended Reclamation Plan, Escalante Tailings Impoundment, M/021/004, Iron County, Utah

The Division received your latest amendment to the Escalante Tailings Impoundment reclamation plan on May 19, 1993. Pursuant to our joint agency MOU's, we will forward copies of your latest proposal to the Bureau of Land Management and the Division of Water Quality for their review. We will request that those agencies forward their review comments through this office.

We hope to complete our review within the next 30-45 days and notify you accordingly of our findings. Our May 12, 1993, tentative approval of the Escalante Tailings Impoundment reclamation plan will be suspended pending completion of our review of this amendment. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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